

# American Recovery & Reinvestment 2009 Asheville, North Carolina Community Portfolio

## Community Project Proposal Guidelines

This form is intended for use for proposing a community project that meets the intent and guidelines set forth in the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009. Complete text of the act is available at [http://www.rules.house.gov/111/LegText/111\\_hr1\\_text.pdf](http://www.rules.house.gov/111/LegText/111_hr1_text.pdf). Information must be limited to the two pages included in this form.

Proposals may be submitted by:

- E-mail to [economicrecovery@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:economicrecovery@ashevillenc.gov);
- Fax to (828) 259-5499, or;
- Mail to P.O. Box 7148, Asheville, NC 28802, ATTN: Economic Recovery

If you require any assistance in preparing a project proposal or have questions about the process, please e-mail [economicrecovery@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:economicrecovery@ashevillenc.gov).

In the interest of government transparency and public participation, all submitted information will be made available to the community. Please do not submit information considered to be confidential or proprietary. Submitted proposals will be posted at [www.ashevillenc.gov/economicrecovery](http://www.ashevillenc.gov/economicrecovery) for public review.

### Contact Information

#### Proposing Agency or Organization

Organization Name:

City of Asheville Fire and Rescue  
Department

Project Name:

Urban Emergency Notification System

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### Project Information

#### 1. Project Description

Please include a brief project description.

To provide an emergency warning system for downtown Asheville to warn citizens of emergencies in the area.

#### 2. Project Purpose

Please describe the project's public purpose and benefit.

Asheville hosts a heavy foot traffic downtown throughout the year. This is especially accelerated during special events and festivals. To alert and warn citizens of impending danger from storms or other events occurring, we would install an external voice emergency notification system, similar to systems used on college campuses. This system would allow public safety personnel to alert citizens and visitors to situations and to give life saving directions to people such as to seek shelter and where to seek shelter.

#### 3. Project Cost

Include the total project cost

\$500,000.00

#### 4. Job Creation

Estimated number of jobs created by project.

#### 5. Project Schedule

Include start and finish dates for the project.

2009-2010

#### 5a. Project Schedule

Can the project be contracted and commenced within 120 days? Please indicate yes or no.

Yes

#### 6. Goal Alignment

Briefly describe how the project will achieve the goals of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act.

Critical public safety infrastructure